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**RE: City of Mesa Stormwater Management Program  
Permit No.: AZS000004-2010**

Mr. Meyer:

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality received the City of Mesa's Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) for review on September 30, 2011. The Department would like to thank the City of Mesa (COM) for submitting the SWMP in a timely manner. Also, the Department appreciates all of the City's efforts in implementing the goals outlined in the SWMP.

This letter serves as notification of approval for the SWMP based on the Department's review which determined that the SWMP substantially complies with the COM Arizona Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit for discharge from a large Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) to Waters of the United States (Permit No. AZS000004-2011). Therefore, and as a condition of the facility's permit, the COM is required to implement the SWMP as approved.

The Department offers these suggestions to the City of Mesa to help fulfill the Permit's requirements and achieve the Plan's goals: Continue to be aware of the scheduled deadline for the City's Map Studies (Due: 9/30/2014) by setting and meeting interim project goals which should continuously updated as progress is made; be diligent at investigating any potential illicit discharges and tracking the progress of each one as a measurable goal; be sure to finalize the draft Commercial & Industrial Facility Inspection Standard Operating Procedures guide which will help the City be consistent in the manner in which inspections for those facilities are conducted and therefore, will not provide any financial advantage for other owners/operators within the same facility classification. Finally, be sure to provide a codified version of the City approved (9/12/2011) draft Stormwater Code with the 2011-2012 Annual Report for review.

The Department appreciates the effort of the City staff in the development of the SWMP and looks forward to continuing to work with the COM throughout program implementation. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the Phase I MS4 Program at (602)771-4449 or [eed@azdeq.gov](mailto:eed@azdeq.gov). Thank you.

Sincerely,

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